MOUNT JOY INSTITUTE,

LANCASTER CO., PENNSYLVANIA.

J. H. BROWN, Principal.

1838.

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The Mount Joy Institute is located in the pleasant village of Mount Joy, Lancaster county, Pa., twelve miles from Lancaster city, on the Harrisburg Railroad, and about six hours' ride from the city of Philadelphia,and two hours from Harrisburg, with each of which, and with Lancaster, there is a daily communication.

The natural advantages of Mount Joy as a site for schools, are pre-eminent. A pleasant and quiet village in the centre of a fertile and well cultivated country, its convenience of access from all parts of the Union by Rail-road, and its proverbial salubrity at all seasons of the year, are advantages rarely combined in any village in the country.

The buildings are well adapted to the purpose for which they are appropriated, adjoining to which is an open woodland of seven acres, constituting the play ground, beyond which pupils will not be permitted to go, except by permission, or with a teacher to accompany them.

Three objects will be aimed at in the system pursued in this Institute as of vital importance:—1st, The formation of a good moral character, taking the Bible as the guide; 2nd, The developement of the mental faculties; and 3rd, The cultivation of those habits that may tend to success in life.

The Principal and Proprietor of the Institute has the advantage of near twenty years' experience in the active duties of education, the last seventeen of which he has been the Principal of an academy for boys in the city of Philadelphia.

The pupils will be under the care and control of the Principal and his Assistant at all hours; eating with them

at the same table, sleeping under the same roof, and in all respects constituting one family.

The studies embraced in the plan of the Institute are the Greek, Latin, German, French and Spanish languages; Antiquities, Jewish, Greek, and Roman; Arithmetic, Algebra, and Geometry; Spelling, Reading, English Grammar, English Composition, and Elocution; Geography, Ancient and Modern; Evidences of Christianity, Penmanship, Book-keeping, Drawing, Vocal Music, Natural and Moral Philosophy, Logic, Botany, and Geology, the use of the Globes, and the Elements of Astronomy and Natural History. In addition to exercise and class recitations, instruction will be given by Lectures, with experiments and illustrations by means of sensible objects.

TERMS.

The school year will be divided into two Sessions of five calendar months each, the first commencing on the first of May, and the second on the first of November.

The charge for board, washing, lights, fuel, and tuition in all the English and Classical studies, per session, payable in advance, - - - - $80 00

For Modern languages, each, - - 10 00

Charge for bed and bedding, - - 5 00

The Principal will be aided by teachers of ability and experience.

A record of the standing of each pupil in studies and behaviour will be kept, and a copy sent to the parents at the middle and end of each session.

Each article of clothing should be marked with the owner's name entire, and each pupil furnished with towels and basin.

A public examination will be held at the close of each session.

TESTIMONIALS.

Mount Joy, 9th Feb. 1838.

Mr. J. H. Brown:

Dear Sir:—I have resided and practised medicine in this place for several years, and hesitate not to say, that this village and vicinity is as healthy as any part of Pennsylvania.

Your obedient servant,

S. MEREDITH, M. D.

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Cedar Hill, near Mount Joy,
Feb. 12, 1838.

Mr. J. H. Brown:

Dear Sir,—Understanding that you purpose to establish a Seminary for the education of young gentlemen in this vicinity, allow me to say, that from several years' personal knowledge of your views of education, and also of your practical success, I feel entire confidence in cordially recommending your "Institute" to the favorable attention of all who desire to give their sons a thorough, useful, and Christian education.

N. DODGE, A. M.

Principal of the Young Ladies' Lyceum Institute.

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Philada. Feb. 13, 1838.

Mr. J. H. Brown has been an instructor of youth in this city for the last seventeen years, and has acquired the reputation of a successful teacher, and thorough disciplinarian. Whenever I have visited his Seminary, I have been highly gratified with the order, quiet, and cheerful industry manifested by his pupils. As many of his pupils have been under his instruction for six or seven years—as the average attendance of his pupils for many years past has been about seventy, and from families of high respectability, it can easily be seen in what light he is estimated.

Upon the religious interests of the School, and upon the manners and habits of the learners, his attention has been faithfully bestowed.

Although his removal from the city will be a loss to the church of which he was a member, and Trustee, and to the Sunday school, of which he was superintendent, and to the Tract and other Societies, as well as to many families who have cordially patronised him, still it is believed that the Institution at Mount Joy, of which he is about to take the charge, will be of great importance to the interests of Education in the State, and will open a wide sphere of usefulness.

ALBERT JUDSON,
Pastor of the 1st Presb. Church, Southwark.

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Philadelphia, February 14, 1838.

Having had some years' acquaintance with Mr. J. H. Brown, I can confidently recommend him as a teacher of great industry and perseverance, possessing two essential requisites, a sound mind in a sound body. If his scholars do not acquire information, it will not arise from his negligence.

A. CLAXTON.

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Education Rooms, 134 *Chestnut st.*
Philadelphia, Feb. 17, 1838.

I have been for some time acquainted with Mr. J. H. Brown, a teacher in this city; have visited his school, and am acquainted with many of the families by whom he has been patronised, and I am free to express my unqualified approbation of his views of education, his methods of instruction, and of government; and I can cordially recommend him, and the institution under his care, to the attention and patronage of the public. I consider Mount Joy as a favourable location for a seminary of the character which he contemplates, and as being a pleasant retreat for lads from this city.

ELIAKIM PHELPS.

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Extract of a Letter from the Rev. N. Patterson, dated,

Near Cantwell's Bridge, (Del.) Feb. 15, 1838.

As to Mount Joy, I visited it a few years since, and do not think you could have selected a more beautiful, fertile, and healthful region over the whole extent of the State. Both that and this State, greatly need just such an Institute for boys, as you are admirably calculated to preside over. So highly do I approve of your rare and admirable tact of leading young lads, with a quick and lively step, along the rugged paths of practical, diversified, and solid knowledge, that had I sons or wards, the Mount Joy Institute would be the place I should select for them.

At a meeting of the Board of Managers of the Pennsylvania Lyceum, held 3d Mo. 1st, 1838, the following preamble and resolution were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, we have learned that our esteemed friend, John Horace Brown, is about to remove from this city, to establish a Boarding-School for *Boys*, at Mount Joy, in Lancaster county, in which neighbourhood an excellent school for Girls has already been established, and although we regret the loss we shall sustain in being deprived of the pleasure of his company, and the benefit of his talents as a member of this Board, yet, when we reflect how much better it will be for youth, whose parents reside in the city, to receive their education, wholly, or in part, in the country, in a Seminary where the duties of education will be carefully and ably discharged—where the salubrity of the air, combined with healthful exercise, will invigorate the body, whilst improving their minds; and believing that John Horace Brown's Seminary will supply that desideratum, we cannot but approve of his plan, and hope parents will embrace the opportunity thus afforded: Therefore,

Resolved, That whilst we regret the absence of John Horace Brown from this city, yet we cordially approve of his proposed plan, and cheerfully recommend parents to avail themselves of the advantages of his Seminary.

JAMES BRYAN, M. D. *President pro tem.*

SAMUEL WEBB, *Secretary pro tem.*

J. H. Brown would beg leave respectfully to refer to the following gentlemen, some of whom have their sons under his care.

Rev. John Todd, Philadelphia.
Rev. John L. Grant, do.
Rev. Thos. Eustace, do.
Rev. O. Douglass, do.
Rev. Charles Henry Alden, Prin. High School.
J. Gilliams, M. D., Philadelphia.
J. Marshall Paul, M.D. do.
Henry Bond, M. D. do.
James Bryan, M. D. do.
Thos. D. James, Prin. Academy, Girard Buildings.
John Simmons, Prin. Academy for Young Ladies.
Samuel Alsop, Friend's Academy.
Rev. Herman Norton, N. York.
John Easter, Baltimore.
L. S. Gilliams, M. D., Prince George co., Md.
Herman Houpt, Gettysburg, Pa.
M. W. Baldwin, Philadelphia.
C. E. Hollinshead, do.
Thos. Clark, do.
Wm. H. Howard, do.
John Webb, do.
W. K. Brooks, do.
F. Scofield, do.
Thomas Brown, do.
William Elison, do.
Robert Coburn, do.
D. W. Prescott, do.
A. Flint, do.
Simon Colton, do.
James R. Webb, do.
A. Martin, do.
Chas. McIntire, do.
J. Corning, do.
Rev. Calvin Colton, New York.
Rev. Charles Hoover, Newark, New Jersey.

N. B.—Within a mile distant, separated by the Chiquesalunga, is the Young Ladies' Lyceum Institute, under the care of the Rev. N. Dodge, A. M., thus affording an opportunity for brothers and sisters to reside near each other.